Statement

List of waste generated during the process of ship-breaking

1. Asbestos
2. Glasswool
3. Rubber
4. Plastic waste
5. Chicken mesh
6. Rexins
7. Sludge residue
8. Cement tiles
9. Glass
10. Cardboard and Thermocol
11. Fibre glass
12. Iron scales.

SAIL as a mega PSU

2553. DR. ALLADI P. RAJKUMAR:
SHRIMATI PREMA CARIAPPA:

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the proposal of Government to make SAIL a mega PSU is receiving objection from smaller PSUs under his Ministry;

(b) if so, the PSUs, which have opposed this merger and the reasons for their opposition; and

(c) the manner in which Government propose to go ahead with the proposal?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (DR. AKHILESH DAS): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Manganese Ore India Limited (MOIL) has opposed its merger with SAIL on the ground that its merger with SAIL could deprive other ferro-alloy producers of ore and could also adversely impact on availability of ferro alloys to other steel producers. MOIL is also of the view that it is engaged primarily in underground mining of which SAIL has no experience.

(c) An Expert Group has been constituted by the Ministry to evaluate the feasibilities of various proposals for merger of PSUs under the Steel Ministry keeping in view the technical and financial angles. The Expert Group has since submitted its Report which is under examination of the Ministry.

Expansion of steel plants

2554. SHRI N.R. GOVINDARAJAR: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any proposal for the expansion of some steel plants in the country during the Tenth Five Year Plan and the forthcoming Plan;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the funds earmarked therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (DR. AKHILESH DAS): (a) to (c) Since the steel sector has been delicenced and deregulated, individual steel plants in the private sector are free to take investment decisions for expansion etc. In the public sector, Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL), a Navratna PSU under the administrative control of Ministry of Steel is competent to take its own investment decisions. It has prepared a Corporate Plan (including IISCO) with a perspective up to 2012, which envisages an expenditure of Rs. 35,000 crores. By this, SAIL plans to achieve a growth in production to about 22.5 million tonnes of Hot Metal with commensurate enhancement in production of Crude and Saleable steel. The financing of investment would primarily come from SAIL's internal resources.

Rashtriya Ispat Nigam Limited (RINL), another public sector steel plant has drawn up an expansion proposal to increase the liquid steel capacity